

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 202

By Fitzhugh

A RESOLUTION to recognize Garner Mack Goode of Alamo on the occasion of his retirement from the Crockett County Election Commission.

WHEREAS, it is appropriate that the members of this legislative body should honor those citizens who have performed with uncommon devotion and enthusiasm throughout their years of public service; and

WHEREAS, Garner Mack Goode of Alamo is one such estimable person who has served with distinction as a member of the Crockett County Election Commission for forty-one years; and

WHEREAS, a native of Crockett County, Mr. Goode was born to Garner and Mary Goode; he farmed cotton, corn, soybeans, beef cattle, hogs, strawberries, okra, and squash on his family's farm until 1954; and

WHEREAS, from 1954 until 1976, Mack Goode owned and operated his own farm, where he raised hogs and beef cattle and farmed cotton, corn, and soybeans; and

WHEREAS, in 1956, Mr. Goode became an employee of the Bank of Alamo, where he served as a teller and cashier before rising to the position of President and CEO; he worked in this position until 1998 when he went back to farming 900 acres, growing cotton, corn, soybeans, and timber; and

WHEREAS, Mack Goode is an active and important part of his community, participating in numerous governmental functions and civic organization, including the Alamo City School Board, on which he served for nine years, the Crockett County Board of Education, on which he served for fifteen years, as the Alamo City Board of Alderman, the Alamo City/Crockett County Rotary Club, and the Alamo Jaycees, and he was instrumental in creating the Mack and Mary June Goode "Special Needs Fund for Alamo City School" Foundation; and

WHEREAS, in addition to his social and civic involvement, Mr. Goode also contributes his time and numerous talents to several professional groups, standing as Chairman of the Gibson Electric Membership Cooperative Board of Trustees, a member of the Tennessee Bankers Association, the West Tennessee Industrial Association, the Northwest Tennessee Certified Development Corporation Loan Committee, and as the Past Director of the Bank of Alamo; and

WHEREAS, Mack Goode has given generously of his time as a volunteer with the Alamo Fire Department for twenty-six years, a member of the Crockett County Rescue Squad for thirty-two years, a volunteer with the Crockett County Emergency Management Board, a Partner in Education with the Alamo City School, and as a supporter of a variety of other charitable organizations; and

WHEREAS, when he is not volunteering or working on his farm, Mack Goode enjoys devoting time to his favorite hobbies, which include hunting, fishing, golfing, traveling, politics, and spending time with his children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren; and

WHEREAS, he is the proud father of Bobby and Melinda Goode and Reecha Black; the grandfather of Brandi Wilson, Garner Goode, Jenna Black, Crockett Goode, and Jessie Black; and the great-grandfather of Lee, Mary, and Luke Wilson; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Goode will be taking his much deserved retirement in 2009; and

WHEREAS, Mack Goode exemplifies the spirit and allegiance to family and community that are characteristic of a true Tennessean; and

WHEREAS, throughout his estimable career, Mr. Goode has demonstrated the utmost professionalism, ability, and integrity, winning the unbridled respect and admiration of his colleagues and his community alike; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED SIXTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we honor and congratulate Garner Mack Goode on the occasion of his retirement from the Crockett County Election Commission, recognizing him for his many accomplishments and extending to him our wishes for his every continued success.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.